

# Prior Authorization Criteria

## PALFORZIA® (Peanut (Arachis hypogaea) Allergen Powder-dnfp) PA Criteria

#### **FDA Indication:**

PALFORZIA is an oral immunotherapy indicated for the mitigation of allergic reactions, including anaphylaxis, that may occur with accidental exposure to peanut. PALFORZIA is approved for use in patients with a confirmed diagnosis of peanut allergy. Initial dose escalation may be administered to patients aged 4 through 17 years. Up-dosing and maintenance may be continued in patients 4 years of age and older. Palforzia is to be used in conjunction with a peanut-avoidant diet.

#### **Initial authorization:**

- 1. Palforzia will be approved based on **ALL** of the following criteria:
  - a. Diagnosis of peanut allergy
  - b. Beneficiary is between the ages of 4 and 17 years
  - c. Prescribed by an allergist or immunologist
  - d. Prescriber is certified/enrolled in the Palforzia REMS program
  - e. Confirmation of a positive skin test or a serum peanut-specific IgE level of ≥ 0.35 kUA/L
  - f. Used in conjunction with a peanut-avoidant diet
  - g. Palforzia is prescribed concurrently with injectable epinephrine
  - h. Member has a history of at least 1 systemic allergic reaction to peanuts requiring hospitalization, an ER visit, or use of injectable epinephrine
  - i. Dose does not exceed 300 mg per day.

### **AND**

- 2. Patient does not have any of the following:
  - a. History of eosinophilic esophagitis (EoE) or eosinophilic gastrointestinal disease
  - b. History of severe or life-threatening episode(s) of anaphylaxis or anaphylactic shock within the past 60 days
  - c. Severe or poorly controlled asthma

- d. History of cardiovascular disease, including uncontrolled or inadequately controlled hypertension
- e. History of a mast cell disorder, including mastocytosis, urticaria pigmentosa, chronic idiopathic or chronic physical urticaria beyond simple dermatographism (e.g., cold urticaria, cholinergic urticaria) hereditary or idiopathic angioedema
- f. Beneficiary is not pregnant.

#### Authorization will be issued for 12 months.

### **Reauthorization:**

- 1. Palforzia will be approved based on the following criteria:
  - a. Documentation of positive clinical response to Palforzia therapy
  - b. Used in conjunction with a peanut-avoidant diet
  - c. Prescribed by an allergist/immunologist
  - d. Prescriber is certified/enrolled in the Palforzia REMS Program
  - e. Beneficiary is not pregnant.

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